JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE **State University of New York**

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Planet Earth: Critical Topics

Credit Hours: 3 Course Abbreviation and Number: ANT 2600

Course Type: Lecture

Course Description: Students will examine critical issues affecting humanity and the global environment, from an indepth, three-part perspective. Students will investigate the science of selected topics of global environmental significance, explore their causes and consequences within contemporary culture, and evaluate the impacts and importance of the mass media in public perception concerning these issues.

Eligibility: ENG 1510 without supports or Corequisite: ENG 1510 with supports.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- 1. Describe major concepts and theories of at least one discipline in the social sciences.
- 2. Demonstrate understanding of the methods social scientists use to explore social phenomena.

Topics Covered:

- Perspectives of Science, Culture, and Communication •
- **Biodiversity and Habitat Loss**
- Conservation and Sustainability •
- Human Population Growth, Affluenza, and Poverty •
- Waste and Garbage •
- Water
- Food and Food Security
- Global Climate Change •
- **Energy and Energy Choices**
- Politics, Power, and Media •
- Environmental Justice, Race, and Poverty

Information for Students

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- **Expectations of Students**
 - **Civility Statement**
 - Student Responsibility Statement
 - Academic Integrity Statement
- **Accessibility Services** Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- Get Help: JCC & Community Resources
- **Emergency Closing Procedures**
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0 B+=3.5 B=3 C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2023